



5                   advertising the indicated requirements;  
6                   receiving a plurality of offers to provide a person;  
7                   generating a match rating for each offered person indication how well  
8   that person meets the requirements; and  
9                   selecting an offered person based on the match ratings.

1                   7.     The method of claim 6 including selecting multiple offered persons  
2     based on the match ratings.

1                    8.     The method of claim 6 wherein the requirements includes skills.

1           9.     The method of claim 6 wherein the requirements include start date.

1                   10.    The method of claim 6 wherein the requirements includes reservation  
2   date.

1            11.    The method of claim 6 wherein the requirement includes pricing  
2 information.

1           12. The method of claim 6 wherein the generating of the match rating  
2 includes identifying how closely a person matches each requirement.

1           13.     A method in a computer system for evaluating an offered resource, the  
2     resource having attributes, each attribute having a resource value, the method comprising:  
3                 identifying target values for each attribute;  
4                 for each attribute, generating an attribute match rating indicating how  
5     well the corresponding resource value matches the corresponding target value; and  
6                 combining the generated attribute match ratings to generate an overall  
7     match rating for the offered resource.

1           14.    The method of claim 13 wherein the combining of the generated  
2   attribute match ratings includes applying a weight factor to each attribute match rating.

1           15.    The method of claim 13 wherein the resource is offered at a reverse  
2   auction.

1           16.    The method of claim 13 wherein the attributes include skills of a person.

1           17.    The method of claim 13 wherein the attributes include rate of a person.

1           18.    The method of claim 13 wherein the attributes include availability of a  
2   person.

1           19.    The method of claim 13 wherein the attributes include reservation of a  
2   person.

1           20.    A computer system for coordinating the providing of resources,  
2   comprising:

3                   an auction component that receives resource requirements, that  
4   advertises the received resource requirements, that receives a description of a resource, that  
5   places a bid to provide the resource, and that selects those resources that most closely match  
6   the received resource requirements;

7                   an interview component that coordinates the interviewing of the selected  
8   resource by the provider of the resource requirements;

9                   a selection component that coordinates the selection of an interviewed  
10   resource; and

11                  an accounting component that coordinates the submitting of bills  
12   provided by the selected resource.

